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## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently amended) A method for treating multiple sclerosis in a subject, the method comprising the step of administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a pharmaceutical composition comprising an ADNF III polypeptide comprising an active core site having consisting of the following amino acid sequence: Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln (SEQ ID NO:2); thereby treating multiple sclerosis in the subject.
- 2. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the ADNF polypeptide is a member selected from the group consisting of a full length ADNF I polypeptide, a full length ADNF III polypeptide, and a mixture of a full length ADNF I polypeptide and a full length ADNF III polypeptide.
- 3. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 1, wherein the ADNF polypeptide is an ADNF I polypeptide.
- 4. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 3, wherein the active core site of the ADNF I polypeptide comprises at least one D-amino acid.
- 5. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 3, wherein the active core site of the ADNF I polypeptide comprises all D-amino acids.
- 6. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 3, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide is Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:1).
- 7. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 3, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of:

Val-Leu-Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:3);

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Val-Glu-Glu-Gly-Ile-Val-Leu-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:4);

Leu-Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:5);

Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:6);

Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:7);

Gly- Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:8); and

Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:1).

- 8. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 3, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide comprises up to about 20 amino acids at at least one of the N-terminus and the C-terminus of the active core site.
  - 9. (Canceled)
  - 10. (Canceled)
  - 11. (Canceled)
- 12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the active core site of the ADNF III polypeptide comprises at least one D-amino acid.
- 13. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the active core site of the ADNF III polypeptide comprises all D-amino acids.
  - 14. (Canceled)
  - 15. (Canceled)
  - 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutical composition further comprises an ADNF I polypeptide comprising an active core

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site having the following amino acid sequence: Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:1).

- 18. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein either or both active core sites the active core site of the ADNF I polypeptide and/or the ADNF III polypeptide comprise at least one D-amino acid.
- 19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein either or both active core sites the active core site of the ADNF I polypeptide and/or the ADNF III polypeptide comprise all D-amino acids.
- 20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide is Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:1), and wherein the ADNF III polypeptide is Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln (SEQ ID NO:2).
- 21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide is a member selected from the group consisting of:

Val-Leu-Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:3); Val-Glu-Glu-Gly-Ile-Val-Leu-Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ

ID NO:4);

Leu-Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:5);

Gly-Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:6);

Gly-Gly-Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:7);

Gly- Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:8); and

Ser-Ala-Leu-Leu-Arg-Ser-Ile-Pro-Ala (SEQ ID NO:1); and

wherein the ADNF III polypeptide is selected from the group consisting of:

Gly-Gly-Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln (SEQ ID NO:9);

Leu-Gly-Gly-Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln-Gln-Ser (SEQ-ID-NO:10);

Leu-Gly-Leu-Gly-Gly-Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln-Gln-Ser (SEQ ID NO:11);

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Ser-Val-Arg-Leu-Gly-Leu-Gly-Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln-Gln-Ser (SEQ ID NO:12); and

Asn-Ala-Pro-Val-Ser-Ile-Pro-Gln (SEQ ID NO:2).

22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 17, wherein the ADNF I polypeptide comprises up to about 20 amino acids at one or both of the N-terminus and the C-terminus of the active core site of the ADNF I polypeptide, and wherein the ADNF III polypeptide comprises up to about 20 amino acids at one or both of the N-terminus and the C-terminus of the active core site of the ADNF III polypeptide.

## 23-25. (Canceled)

- 26. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered intranasally.
- 27. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is administered orally.
- 28. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutical composition is injected.
  - 29. (Canceled)
- 30. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein administration of the ADNF III polypeptide results in decreased frequency of myelin basic protein (MBP)-reactive T-cells, reduced proliferation of MBP-reactive T-cells, or reduced levels of tumor necrosis factor (TNF) and interferon-α in the subject.